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**Pipeline and Hazardous  
Materials Safety Administration**

DOT-SP 15623  
(SECOND REVISION)

EXPIRATION DATE: 2022-05-31
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(FOR RENEWAL, SEE 49 CFR § 107.109)

1. GRANTEE: Ledwell & Son Enterprises, Inc.  
Texarkana, TX
2. PURPOSE AND LIMITATIONS:
  - a. This special permit authorizes the manufacture, mark, sale and use of multiple non-DOT specification containers, manifolded together within a frame and securely mounted on a truck chassis, for the transportation in commerce of the materials authorized by this special permit. This special permit provides no relief from the Hazardous Materials Regulations (HMR) other than as specifically stated herein. The most recent revision supersedes all previous revisions.
  - b. The safety analyses performed in development of this special permit only considered the hazards and risks associated with transportation in commerce. The safety analyses did not consider the hazards and risks associated with consumer use, use as a component of a transport vehicle or other device, or other uses not associated with transportation in commerce.
  - c. In accordance with 49 CFR 107.107(a), party status may not be granted to a manufacturing permit. These packagings may be used in accordance with 49 CFR 173.22a.
3. REGULATORY SYSTEM AFFECTED: 49 CFR Parts 106, 107 and 171-180.

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4. REGULATIONS FROM WHICH EXEMPTED: 49 CFR §§ 173.241 and 173.242 in that the packaging specified in paragraph 7 of this special permit is not authorized, except as specified herein.
5. BASIS: This special permit is based on the application of Ledwell & Son Enterprises, Inc. dated January 18, 2018, submitted in accordance with § 107.109.
6. HAZARDOUS MATERIALS (49 CFR § 172.101):

Hazardous Material Description			
Proper Shipping Name	Hazard Class/ Division	Identification Number	Packing Group
Corrosive liquids, n.o.s.*	8	Various	As appropriate
Flammable liquids, n.o.s.**	3	UN1993	II, III
Flammable liquid, corrosive, n.o.s.	3	UN2924	II, III
Formaldehyde, solutions, flammable	3	UN1198	III

\*Class 8 liquids which are corrosive to skin only and which are compatible with the tank and its appurtenances.

\*\*Flammable liquids having a vapor pressure greater than 10 psia at 130 °F are not authorized.

7. SAFETY CONTROL MEASURES:

a. PACKAGING:

(1) Packaging prescribed is a group of not more than six, sixty (60) gallon maximum capacity, non-DOT specification containers manifolded together within a frame, having top and bottom openings designed and constructed in accordance with Ledwell & Sons Enterprises, Inc. drawings and technical specifications on file with the Approvals and Permits Division. Each

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container must be equipped with a 2" Clay and Bailey Mfg. Co. Model #937 Pressure Actuated Vent, or equivalent.

(2) In addition, each container must be in compliance with the following:

(i) The individual containers must conform to the requirements of a DOT Specification UN 31A intermediate bulk container (IBC) in all respects except for specification marking, water capacity and that the use of sight glasses is authorized. Each sight glass must have shut off valves, top and bottom and be provided with adequate protection to prevent accidental breakage.

(ii) After the drop test is performed as described in § 178.810(c), a manifolded unit must also be subjected to a drop flat on a side; flat on the top; and on a corner, whichever is considered to be the most vulnerable part. The same or different container may be used for each drop.

b. TESTING -

(1) Each container must be visually inspected prior to each trip to ensure that it has not been damaged on the previous trip.

(2) Each container must be reinspected and retested once every two and one-half years in accordance with § 180.352(b) as prescribed for UN 31A intermediate bulk containers except that hydrostatic testing at a minimum pressure of 10 psig must be conducted instead of leakproofness testing.

c. OPERATIONAL CONTROLS:

(1) All valves used for loading and unloading the packaging must be closed during transportation.

(2) Each container must be filled so as not to be liquid full at less than or equal to 130 °F.

(3) Containers are only authorized when manifolded together within a frame. The number of containers within a group may not exceed six.

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(4) Each filling overflow line must be fitted with a shut-off valve on the top of the tank which must be secured during transportation.

8. SPECIAL PROVISIONS:

a. In accordance with the provisions of Paragraph (b) of § 173.22a, persons may use the packaging authorized by this special permit for the transportation of the hazardous materials specified in paragraph 6, only in conformance with the terms of this special permit.

b. A person who is not a holder of this special permit, but receives a packaging covered by this special permit, may reoffer it for transportation provided no modification or change is made to the packaging and it is offered for transportation in conformance with this special permit and the HMR.

c. A current copy of this special permit must be maintained at each facility where the package is offered or reoffered for transportation.

d. Each packaging manufactured under the authority of this special permit must be either (1) marked with the name of the manufacturer and location (city and state) of the facility at which it is manufactured or (2) marked with a registration symbol designated by the Office of Hazardous Materials Special Permits and Approvals for a specific manufacturing facility.

e. A current copy of this special permit must be maintained at each facility where the packaging is manufactured under this special permit. It must be made available to a DOT representative upon request.

f. MARKING:

(1) Each manifolded unit must be plainly marked on both sides near the middle, in letters at least 2 inches high on a contrasting background, "DOT-SP 15623".

(2) In addition, marking and placarding requirements specified for cargo tanks in 49 CFR Part 172, Subparts D and F must be met.

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g. The prototype test on this tank design will serve to qualify smaller tanks made of the same material and thickness, by the same fabrication technique, and with identical supports and equivalent closures and other appurtenances. A drawing showing the arrangement of the smaller tanks must be on file with the Office of Hazardous Materials Safety Approvals and Permits Division prior to the first shipment.

9. MODES OF TRANSPORTATION AUTHORIZED: Motor vehicle.
10. MODAL REQUIREMENTS: A current copy of this special permit must be carried aboard each motor vehicle used to transport packages covered by this special permit.
11. COMPLIANCE: Failure by a person to comply with any of the following may result in suspension or revocation of this special permit and penalties prescribed by the Federal hazardous materials transportation law, 49 U.S.C. 5101 et seq:
  - o All terms and conditions prescribed in this special permit and the Hazardous Materials Regulations, 49 CFR Parts 171-180.
  - o Persons operating under the terms of this special permit must comply with the security plan requirement in Subpart I of Part 172 of the HMR, when applicable.
  - o Registration required by § 107.601 et seq., when applicable.

Each "Hazmat employee", as defined in § 171.8, who performs a function subject to this special permit must receive training on the requirements and conditions of this special permit in addition to the training required by §§ 172.700 through 172.704.

No person may use or apply this special permit, including display of its number, when this special permit has expired or is otherwise no longer in effect.

Under Title VII of the Safe, Accountable, Flexible, Efficient Transportation Equity Act: A Legacy for Users (SAFETEA-LU)- 'The Hazardous Materials Safety and Security Reauthorization Act of 2005' (Pub. L. 109-59), 119 Stat. 1144 (August 10, 2005), amended the Federal hazardous materials transportation law by changing the term

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"exemption" to "special permit" and authorizes a special permit to be granted up to two years for new special permits and up to four years for renewals.

12. REPORTING REQUIREMENTS: Shipments or operations conducted under this special permit are subject to the Hazardous Materials Incident Reporting requirements specified in 49 CFR 171.15 Immediate notice of certain hazardous materials incidents, and 171.16 Detailed hazardous materials incident reports. In addition, the grantee(s) of this special permit must notify the Associate Administrator for Hazardous Materials Safety, in writing, of any incident involving a package, shipment or operation conducted under terms of this special permit.

Issued in Washington, D.C.:



for William Schoonover  
Associate Administrator for Hazardous Materials Safety

Address all inquiries to: Associate Administrator for Hazardous Materials Safety, Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration, Department of Transportation, Washington, D.C. 20590. Attention: PHH-31.

Copies of this special permit may be obtained by accessing the Hazardous Materials Safety Homepage at [http://hazmat.dot.gov/sp\\_app/special\\_permits/spec\\_perm\\_index.htm](http://hazmat.dot.gov/sp_app/special_permits/spec_perm_index.htm) Photo reproductions and legible reductions of this special permit are permitted. Any alteration of this special permit is prohibited.

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